



Utah State Tax Commission
Applicable Interest Rates

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General Information

Effective October 12, 1993, the calendar-year simple interest rate applicable for taxes and fees administered by the Tax Commission shall be two percentage points above the federal short-term rate determined by the Secretary of the Treasury under Section 6621 of the Internal Revenue Code, in effect for the preceding fourth calendar quarter.

The interest rates on underpayment and overpayment of taxes and fees administered by the Utah State Tax Commission are as follows:

Periods	Percentage Rates
through October 11, 1993	12
October 12, 1993 through December 31, 1994	6
January 1, 1995 through December 31, 1998	8
January 1, 1999 through December 31, 2000	7
January 1, 2001 through December 31, 2001	8
January 1, 2002 through December 31, 2002	6
January 1, 2003 through December 31, 2003	5

Underpayments

Interest shall be assessed on any underpayment, deficiency, or delinquency of taxes and fees administered by the Tax Commission from the date the original return is due, excluding any valid filing or payment extensions, to the date the payment is received.

Overpayments

Except as provided for amended returns and letter requests for refund, no interest shall be allowed on an overpayment if the overpayment is refunded within 90 days after the later of:

- the date the return is due
- the date the return is filed
- the date of the overpayment

If an overpayment is not refunded within the later of these periods, interest shall be calculated beginning on the 91st day after the commencement of that period.

If an overpayment is generated as a result of an amended return or a letter request for refund, interest shall accrue from the later of the date the original return was due or filed, to the date the amended return or letter request for refund is received by the Tax Commission. If the overpayment is not refunded within 90 days from the Tax Commission's receipt of the amended return or letter request for refund, additional interest shall be calculated beginning on the 91st day after the Tax Commission's receipt of the amended return or letter request for refund.

Pursuant to Utah law, interest is prohibited on refunds arising from a judicial decision declaring a statute to be invalid under state or federal law or unconstitutional under the constitutions of the United States or Utah.

Calculation Guidelines

If a period of underpayment or overpayment spans more than one interest-rate period, interest shall be calculated based on the rate in effect for each interest-rate period the underpayment or overpayment spans. Interest for each interest-rate period shall be calculated for the number of days in the period, divided by 365, using three decimal places and rounded to two decimal places. The total interest due shall be the sum of the interest amounts calculated for each interest-rate period.

Example: a tax return due April 15, 1993 and paid on February 15, 1996 shall be assessed interest at the rate of 12 percent from April 16, 1993 through October 11, 1993, 6 percent from October 12, 1993 through December 31, 1994, and 8 percent from January 1, 1995 through February 15, 1996.

Exceptions

The following taxes and fees administered by the Tax Commission are not subject to the rate and period calculations listed on this form:

- **Title 59, Chapter 2, Property Tax Act** - except fees related to the redemption of certain centrally assessed property seized by the commission pursuant to Section 59-2-1309
- **Title 59, Chapter 3, Tax Equivalent Property Tax Act**
- **Title 59, Chapter 4, Privilege Tax**
- **Title 59, Chapter 13, Part 5, International Fuel Tax Agreement**
- **Title 41, Chapter 1a, Motor Vehicle Act** - except fees related to the apportioned registration and licensing of interstate commercial vehicles pursuant to Section 41-1a-301
- **Title 41, Chapter 3, Motor Vehicle Business Regulation Act**

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